



Attorney Docket No. 0524-0136.01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of)
Tomotaka Yokoyama et al)
Serial No.: 10/761,771)
Filed: January 20, 2004)
For: Management Technique Of Friction)
Coefficient Based On Surface Roughness,) Substrate For An Information Recording) Medium, Information Recording Medium) And Manufacturing Method Thereof)
Art Unit: 1773)
Examiner: Leszek B. Kiliman)

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CONDITIONAL PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004, setting a three month term for response, Applicants conditionally petition for a three month extension of time, extending the time to March 9, 2005.

Applicants do not believe that an extension of time is necessary for this response. The September 9, 2004 Office Action was issued in error, as explained in the enclosed Response to Office Action And Amendment (A). The undersigned has had a number of conversations with the Examiner (including one when the Office Action was first received) informing him of the error in the office action and requesting that it be withdrawn. While the Examiner has stated that he would withdraw the Office Action, Applicants have not yet received such an action, prompting the enclosed

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response.

If an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of this application, Applicants hereby petition for the necessary extension of time and authorize charging our deposit account 50/1039 for any fee required. The undersigned also authorizes the Commissioner to charge our deposit account 50/1039 for any further fee or deficiency for this extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,



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